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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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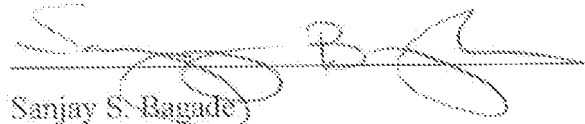Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 2, 2006, for which a response was due June 2, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 1-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to July 2, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed on July 3, 2006 (being the next business day).

Claim 1-49 were presented for examination at filing. Claims 1-33 were withdrawn from consideration. A further Restriction Requirement was issued, setting out 2 additional groups of claims. In response, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 34-43), without traverse.

In addition, applicant elects Species A, figures 1-12, 22-23, and 35. Applicant believes that claims 34-43 are readable on the elected species.

Accordingly, Applicants believe that, in light of the election presented herein, claims 34-43 are presently under consideration. Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application. Applicants respectfully request examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

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